



As technology continues to evolve and expand, it is inevitable that bad actors will seek to exploit these systems for personal gain. For example, the internet has made it much easier for property owners in the US to manage payments and review real property information by making these records available online. Unfortunately, this has also led to an increase in property fraud attempts. In this type of scam, criminals will look up your information and use it to file fraudulent records against your home or other real property. Scammers will use these false documents to make it appear as though they own your property. They will then try to sell or rent the property to a third party or apply for a mortgage for their own benefit. Often, the actual property owner is not even aware that these documents have been filed until the crime is already well underway.

Thankfully, many jurisdictions have established alert systems that can quickly inform property owners of any potential problems. Once registered, the property owner will receive an email alert any time a document is filed against their property. Though these alerts don't prevent the scammer from attempting the fraud, they do give property owners the ability to promptly report this criminal activity and minimize any damage. We highly encourage you to create an alert for each property you own, thus creating a quick and efficient system to warn you of any suspicious filings.

Below we have compiled links to the alert programs in several counties in Minnesota and Florida. Click on the link below for your corresponding county and follow the instructions given. In most cases, all you will need is your name, property information (address, property identification number, etc.), and email address. If your location is not listed, you will need to contact your county directly or visit their website to determine if land alerts are available in your area.

Minnesota

- o Anoka: <https://anokacountymn-web.tylerhost.net/web/>
- o Carver: <https://landnotify.co.carver.mn.us/lms.app/>
- o Dakota: <https://lms.co.dakota.mn.us/pw/>
- o Hennepin: <https://txpr-eror-pd.co.hennepin.mn.us/pw/>
- o Ramsey: <https://propertyrecords.co.ramsey.mn.us/pw/>
- o Washington: <https://eror.co.washington.mn.us/PW/>

Florida

- o Collier: <https://cor.collierclerk.com/coraccess/alerts>
- o Orange: <https://www.propertyfraudalert.com/FLOrange>
- o Pinellas: <https://www.propertyfraudalert.com/FLPinellas>
- o Sarasota: <https://secure.sarasotaclerk.com/ORFraudAlerts.aspx>
- o Additional: <https://www.flclerks.com/page/PropertyAlertServices>

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